

## **Partner Assault Response**

# Philosophy & Objectives

# **Target Group**

Individuals residing in Frontenac or Lennox & Addington counties who have been given a mandatory referral through the court system to attend the program and deal with issues of domestic violence.

Additional individuals residing in Frontenac or Lennox & Addington counties who choose to self-refer, attend the program and deal with issues of domestic violence.

## **Philosophy**

Partner Assault Response Program of Resolve Counselling Services Canada believes that all people have the expectation and right to live in milieu that is free from abusive and controlling behaviours and/or physical violence.

The Partner Assault Response Program believes that abusive behaviour is a choice and the purpose of the individual's actions is to control another person.

The Partner Assault Response Program believes that abusive behaviour is not an anger management problem. Generally, an individual involved in domestic violence does not use violence as a problem solving technique with colleagues, employers, neighbours or other family members.

The Partner Assault Response Program believes that there is nothing the individual does that contributes in any way to the abusive behaviour.

#### **Objectives**

- To keep the victims of abuse (adults and children) safe.
- To link adults and children to a Domestic Violence and/or Counselling Program.
- To have the individual, who displays abusive behaviour, accept accountability and responsibility for their behaviour and actions.
- To have the individual, who displays abusive behaviour, learn new ways of interacting and behaving.